

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2048****OFFERED BY MR. TERRY****[GAO Study]**

Page 6, after line 2, insert the following new section  
(and redesignate succeeding sections accordingly):

1 **SEC. 4. G.A.O. STUDY ON ACCESSIBILITY OF REPAIR INFOR-**  
2 **MATION.**

3 The Comptroller General shall conduct a study on the  
4 accessibility of automobile repair and service information  
5 and tools to independent repair facilities and service pro-  
6 viders. Such study shall—

7 (1) examine the extent of the problem of re-  
8 stricted access to information necessary for the  
9 proper repair of automobiles;

10 (2) review the service information requirements  
11 of the Environmental Protection Agency to deter-  
12 mine whether such requirements can be expanded to  
13 effectively include non emissions-related repair and  
14 tool information, in order to minimize the impact on  
15 manufacturers while ensuring competition in the ve-  
16 hicle repair market; and

17 (3) examine any proprietary information issues  
18 that have arisen in the rulemaking process of the



1 Environmental Protection Agency and how such  
2 issues might impact any rulemaking by the Federal  
3 Trade Commission.

4 The Comptroller General shall transmit a report of the  
5 study to Congress and to the Federal Trade Commission  
6 not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of  
7 this Act. Such report shall recommend rules and guide-  
8 lines which may be adopted by the Federal Trade Commis-  
9 sion pursuant to section 5 of this Act, as appropriate, to  
10 ensure competition in the repair industry, while maintain-  
11 ing automobile owner safety and security.

Page 6, line 10, insert after “determines appropriate.” the following: “The Commission shall consider the recommendations in the report of the Comptroller General required under section 4 in prescribing such regulations.”

